

Millom Urban District Council.

Annual Report of Medical Officer of Health.

*Summary of action taken during the Year ended Dec.
31st, 1900, to prevent the spread of disease.*

SMALL-POX.—No cases.

SCARLET FEVER.—Twenty-eight cases. No deaths.

TYPHUS FEVER.—No cases.

ENTERIC FEVER.—Thirty-five cases. Five deaths. Some of these cases were no doubt imported by the men employed on the new works ; I could not trace any two to a common origin.

DIARRHŒA.—Two deaths. Both over five and under 15 years of age.

ENTERITIS.—One death.

DIPHTHERIA.—Two cases. One death.

CROUP.—One case.

MEASLES.—During the early months of the year Measles was very prevalent, at one time it seemed to be in every house ; and it caused 49 deaths : 14 under one year ; 33 between 1 and 5 ; and two between 5 and 15.


WHOOPING COUGH was also very prevalent, causing 16 deaths : 9 under one year ; and 7 over one and under 5.

ERYSIPELAS.—Eleven cases. One death.

PLAGUE.—Owing to the outbreak of this disease at Glasgow, special precautions were taken here, as we have a good deal of trade with that Port. Not only was notice sent to the two Harbour Masters, and Customs Officer, but a special Inspector was appointed to board all ships on their arrival, but fortunately these precautions were not necessary.

PHTHISIS.—Twelve deaths. Three between 15 and 25 ; and nine between 25 and 65.

CANCER.—Seven deaths. Five between 25 and 65 ; and two over 65.



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NOTIFICATION OF DISEASE.—Scarlet Fever, 28 ; Enteric Fever 35 ; Erysipelas, 11 ; Diphtheria, 2 ; Croup. 1 ; Total 77.

WATER.—Good in quantity and quality.

BAD MEAT.—Not any.

OFFENSIVE TRADES.—Not any.

SCAVENGING.—Satisfactory.

REPORTS have been made to each Council Meeting during the year showing the work done. Birth and Death Rate, and other matters connected with the Sanitary state of the District. A visit has been paid to each of the 1878 houses now in the District, an increase of 28, and a special visit was made where any nuisance or infectious case was reported. Four Common Lodging Houses and 12 Slaughter Houses were also inspected.

ZYMOTIC DISEASE caused 75 deaths, an increase of 53 on last year. The steam disinfectant has been used five times, and disinfectants have been supplied gratuitously to all infectious cases reported, the premises inspected, and notice served to have all sanitary defects made good, the School Attendance Officer, and the Librarian have also had due notice of each case.

DEATHS.—215. An increase of 68 on last year, or 19.54 per 1000. Of these, 78 were under one year, an increase of 30 on last year, or 7.09 per 1,000, and 29 (the same as last year) over sixty-five years.

BIRTHS.—361, or 32.81 per 1,000.

I enclose tables as required by the Local Government Board, which have entailed a very large amount of extra work, for not only are they required for the past ten years, but they have been considerably altered, and enlarged in form.

(SIGNED)

PERCY B. STONEY,

February 28th, 1901.

Medical Officer of Health.

